Don’t Hang Up

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# Summary

**Don’t Hang Up** is a point-and-click meta horror-mystery game made in Godot Engine for the PC. The aim of the game is to play the game several times, call numbers found in the phonebooth to find out about why Dom is there, to learn about his own past and break the curse surrounding the phonebooth.

## Overview

A young man called Dominic Wells wakes with amnesia to find that he is in front of a phonebooth in the middle of nowhere. He sees that his wallet is in the phonebooth for some reason and goes to investigate.

Dom’s cause of amnesia is due to a recent incident. He was travelling back home from University via the train. On his way home via a taxi, he and the taxi driver were attacked by the ghost haunting the phonebooth. The taxi driver believes that Dom attacked him and runs to call the police, while Dom escapes with serious head injuries, leading to significant memory loss of the incident and parts of his past.

In the phonebooth, Dom finds several numbers that he can call. By talking to different people, he discovers more about himself and about the phonebooth.

World rules:

* Dom retains memory between each replay
* Dom remembers how painful it is like to die
* Nobody else remembers clearly, but some have a fuzzy recollection of what Dom has done in a different ‘world line’
* Dom can ‘revive’ because of his strong will to live

## History Of The PhoneBooth

The phonebooth was first built by the local council in the mid-1980s but was soon taken down a decade later due to the horrific murder of a PT engineer who came to service the phonebooth by a gang of rebellious adolescents in the year 1996. His body was hidden in the large compartment of the booth for 10 months before a local resident filed a complaint and the unpleasant smell was finally investigated.

# characters

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| Dominic Wells | Has a huge crush on Summer and also a history of stalking her, though he doesn’t quite remember. |
| Mary Tucker | Mother of Dom. Divorced Dom’s dad a while ago and is now married to Mr Tucker, who is a single father with a son Thomas Tucker.  Not on good terms with Dom. Makes unreasonable/groundless assumptions about Dom which partially turn out to be accurate. |
| Thomas Tucker | Dom’s stepbrother. A manipulative sociopath. |
| Summer (last name not given) | Believes that Tom cares about her. Has PTSD due to Dom and refuses to speak to him. |
| Arnold, PT Engineer | Ghost of the phonebooth. Has a narrow view that everyone are nasty people. Preys and lures people who are socially isolated. He dreams of being able to talk to his children for the last time. He left his wife years ago when she was pregnant and was never very close to his children. |
| Jim, Tech support guy | Actually a scammer |
| Taxi guy |  |
| Organ donor HR |  |
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# Endings

## True Ending

When speaking to Arnold’s son, tell him about how nice he is. Leads to the scene with the blue hydrangeas, which represent gratitude.

## Regretful Ending

When speaking to Arnold’s son, tell him about how he is a terrifying person.

# Main features

# Extra Features

Easter eggs

Harry Potter

# conversations

Call police – if you reveal that you are dom, they come and arrest you for assault and battery.

Opening first time

Meta??

Intro title screen

Blank open, comes into focus, shaky camera

Call taxi number

Find out what happened on that taxi trip

Parallax view from lying on the floor, people looking over dom

>> leads to reopening the game, you get a short flashback of being hit

Self speech says,

Newspaper

Flashback same aesthetic as old things

Main plot

Phone a number

\*Complete a puzzle

From the coin change compartment, a key will drop out

Drag the key to the bottom part to unlock and reveal skeleton

Skeleton holds a book with more clues

Book is a maintenance log of phone booth servicing

Discover that the phone booth has been taken down years ago

\*Find the identity of the skeleton (and ghost which haunts the phone booth)

Discover that it has been luring people who have very little connections with other people/not many close friends -shown by his mother not caring about his whereabouts

\*Find out how to break the curse

Let the skeleton call his children for one last time

Fades away to an eroded phonebooth and blue hydrangeas which signify gratitude

Side stuff A

Summer is stalked by dom

Will not talk to dom

If ask mum about summer, she will say that he and her were once very close

But his brother visits her often now

Dom can pretend to be his brother

He will get information about what he has done to her

Dom can get several people to try and come meet him in person at the phone booth

\*People include: summer, police, tart card woman, organ donor men in Black

See silhouette of person but they can't quite see you

They get terrorised by the ghost

Reporting to the police (calling 999)

Calling mum

Calling summer

Hello who's this?

It's Dominic

= oh... ●

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Calling brother

Calling suicide hotline

Calling morse code

Calling tart card

Calling pickles

Calling the chain number

Calling organ donor

Calling railway

Calling